



The P. C. Editor Says:

Pat Noonan passed away at St. Francis Hospital in Cape Girardeau Saturday evening at 8:00 o'clock, holding a candle in one hand, a crucifix in the other with two Sisters of Mercy by his bed saying prayers for the dying. His passing to us is a personal loss as he has been our friend and we have been his. Pat had faults as well as we, but within his body beat a heart as large as all out doors and if he was your friend he was a friend that could be trusted. He had a wide acquaintance throughout Southeast Missouri who regarded him highly and who will be grieved to hear of his death. We are greatly saddened by the death of this trusted friend.

Simon Loebe, Charleston banker and former owner of the Enterprise-Courier of that city, was a visitor in the Standard office on Thursday afternoon. We were more than happy to see him looking so well after the long siege of sickness that he has been afflicted with. May his health continue to improve during the New Year.

Bette Davis, she of the plump body and rounding curves, was supposed to jump out of an airplane onto a hillock of sand but when she lit it was in a clump of cactus thistles which was both embarrassing and painful to Bette as the 45 thistles were plucked from her body. We'll bet it wasn't very painful to the Doctor who did the plucking.

If the Democratic voters of Senator Paul Jones' Senatorial District could have imagined how he would have voted with the Republicans at Jefferson City last week, he wouldn't have been there to have voted. Or this is what one Democratic editor thinks on the subject.

An electric light in the privy runs counter to the thrift of one Southeast Missouri farmer. REA men were discussing the development when the farmer walked up and told them that he wasn't going to put a light in his outhouse. "The cracks are too wide," he said. "The lights from the yard shine through and I am not going to use two where one will do the job."

Gordon Blanton has a gripe to register in the Pole Cat column against a cab driver who nearly ran over him and did dent up his bicycle in places. This is his kick and no charges.

Our Senator Joslyn, we thought, was a lamb and would run along with the flock, but from what we read in some of the papers he strayed into the goat flock once in a while. If the shoe had been on the other foot not a single Republican Senator or Representative would have voted with the Democrats.

Well, so far as we are concerned Governor Stark is as dead as a last year's horse apple. In the future he will be spoken of as the man who double crossed his friends who made it possible for him to receive the nomination for Governor.

We are satisfied this paragraph will be unwelcome to school teachers in this section, but if the old and needy are to get a raise from \$13.50 per month to pay rent, buy fuel and food, to say nothing of clothing, the increase has got to come from the sales tax, and instead of one-third of the sales tax is set aside for the schools it will have to be reduced to one-fourth. In this way perhaps the old age assistance can be raised to at least \$20 per month. The Southern States, classed as the poorest in the United States, are receiving \$26.50 per month, and the State of Missouri classed as one of the richest paying but \$13.50. The teachers' salaries should not be reduced but a lot of nonessentials could be cut out, but we decline to mention what we mean by nonessentials for fear we would be run out of the city.

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Oliver Is Named Scout Council Head

Taking "The American Way" for its theme, more than 200 Boy Scout leaders discussed ways to keep the United States safe internally by proper guidance of youth at the annual meeting of the Southeast Missouri Council at Poplar Bluff Sunday.

Allen Oliver, Cape Girardeau attorney, was elected president, succeeding Dr. W. W. Parker, president of the Southeast Missouri State Teachers college of Cape Girardeau who has headed the organization two years.

The new president is a former district governor of Rotary International, director of Rotary Alumni Association. He has been for 14 years active in Scouting and is the holder of the Silver Beaver award.

Sikeston Scouters took a prominent part in the program and R. A. Harper, superintendent of the schools here, was named a member of the executive board of the council. W. W. Ensor of Sikeston was named commissioner of the council.

OTHER OFFICERS

Other officers, who were presented by a slate of the nominating committee headed by V. A. Kogge, Cape Girardeau, which was adopted unanimously:

Dr. D. A. Hoxie, Poplar Bluff; Earnest Moxley, Charleston; Martin Brunke, Perryville; Gilbert Hill, Dexter and Harry Putnam, Kennett, vice presidents; J. R. Henderson, Jackson, treasurer; Arthur Deneke, Cape Girardeau, and Dr. Parker, national council representatives; Sylvester Grogg, field commissioner of senior Scouting; and Father Wieberg, Charleston; the Reverend Critchlow, Cape Girardeau; the Rev. D. K. Foster, Caruthersville; D. L. Fisher, Morehouse; Merman Herring, Doniphan and Louis Hecht, Cape Girardeau, members of the executive board.

INTERNATIONAL SITUATION REFLECTED

Tenseness of the international situation was reflected in addresses given before the assembled adult leaders of Scouting.

Harold Lewman, regional Scout executive from Kansas City, told a banquet gathering Sunday night: "We have an organization in Scouting that can carry the torch of Democracy. We need to train youths in a Democracy to be as good as citizens as we have been."

Reviewing the progress of Scouting, he contrasted conditions in the United States with those in Europe and spoke of the desirability of combating fifth column (Continued on Page 5)

Marston Again To Head Farm Bureau

Arline Avery of Marston will head the New Madrid County Farm Bureau another year. He was re-elected president at the annual meeting in New Madrid Thursday afternoon.

Other officers are J. W. Daugherty, Gideon, vice president; C. O. Hawkins, Matthews, secretary and William Dawson, Jr., New Madrid, treasurer.

Executive committee members in addition to the elected officers are E. V. Jewett, Parma; V. E. Hammock, Canalou and Amos Riley, Lilbourn. Completing the committee are Mrs. J. D. Twitty, Lilbourn, president of the county home economics extension council, and the home and community chairman of the Bureau who has not as yet been designated.

Daugherty, captain of the membership campaign, reported that there are 542 members.

The Bureau adopted a new constitution and by laws providing for the organization of a board of directors composed of the personnel of the executive committee plus one man and one woman representative from each of the county's 11 townships.

The board will meet twice annually and the executive committee once a month.

Chester G. Starr in charge of the Missouri Farm Bureau Federation service department, who was scheduled to discuss group hospitalization, was unable to be present.

North End Grocery Is Burglarized

Burglars failed in one week end attempt to enter a grocery store but gained entrance to the North End Grocery and Market on Hunter street and took a quantity of merchandise.

Officers expressed belief that the same men who failed to break into George Lee's Kingsway Grocery, 334 South Kingshighway, Thursday night, burglarized the North End Grocery Friday night.

Emptying two sacks of potatoes on the floor to obtain a container for their loot, the burglars took from the North End Grocery 27 cartons of cigarettes, two cured hams, meat roll, five pounds of cheese, a dozen oranges, four bottles of hair oil, several boxes of cigars and a quantity of candy bars and chewing gum.

Entrance was gained by shattering glass in the front door of the establishment overnight. The burglary was discovered the next morning by Operator Russell Walker and Officer Harold Wallace called for investigation. The burglars left through a side door of the stock room.

The abortive attempt of burglars to enter the Kingsway Grocery was discovered at mid-day Friday and apparently had occurred during the night.

A screen on a south side window had been cut and the latch unhooked. A tire tool, apparently used in the attempt to gain entrance, was stuck in the ground nearby indicating that the burglars had been frightened away. Marks on the window indicated an attempt to pry it open but failed to break the lock at the top.

New Theatre To Be Built At Benton

W. H. and W. K. Dillon of Morehouse announced Saturday plans to build a modern \$20,000 theatre building in Benton.

The Miller purchased a lot from Wade Miller in Benton upon which to erect the 35 by 115 foot building, which will be fire proof and the full size of the lot.

The Dillons operate the theatre bearing their name at Morehouse.

Second Semester Opens Friday

The second semester opens Friday for students in the Sikeston public schools.

Final examinations will be held for high school pupils Wednesday and Thursday.

Principal Tharon Stallings reported Friday that schoolastically work of students in the high school during the first semester had been above average.

Several changes in the curriculum were reported for the second semester's work.

Commercial English, economics, solid geometry and international relations will be dropped and replaced by arithmetic, sociology and Missouri history.

New classes will be formed in speech and dramatics. A class in creative writing will be formed to take the place of grammar.

A total of 606 are in high school now of which 379 are in senior and 227 in junior high. This compares with 591 at the same time in 1940 of which 357 were in senior and 234 in junior high and 574 in 1939 of which 356 were in senior and 218 in junior high.

REMOVED TO HOME

Miss Allene Helms was removed from Sikeston General hospital to her home east of Matthews Wednesday in an Albritton ambulance.

TO CAPE HOSPITAL

Mrs. James Kindred, Morehouse, was taken to the St. Francis hospital, Cape Girardeau, Wednesday in the Albritton ambulance for an operation.

FIREMEN MAKE RUN

The fire department made a run to a negro cabin in Sunset addition at 10 a. m. Friday when fire broke out in the interior where the pipe goes into the flue. There was no damage.

Charleston Twice Victor over Sikeston

Strong finishing Charleston Bluejays came from behind in two games with Sikeston Bulldogs to emerge triumphant Friday night in the Armory. The Bluejay first quintet defeated the Sikeston A team, 29 to 26 while the Charleston B team won by the narrower margin of 14 to 13.

Both games were ding-dong battles in which Sikeston took an early lead only to see it fade quicker than snow under a warm sun in the waning moments. An overflow crowd of 550 in the Armory was dazzled by the Charleston blitzkrieg and the performance of the hard fighting quintets in both games. Most of them were on their toes cheering Sikeston as the curtain came down on the A teams' contest.

It was the second loss of the season for Coach Vernon Green's A team, which has chalked up six victories. Charleston scored its ninth victory against one defeat.

FIRST DEFEAT FOR BS

The Sikeston Bs were given their first defeat of the season in three starts while the Charleston seconds hung up their third triumph in four appearances.

Guard Art Swacker led the scoring for Sikeston with three field goals and as many free throws for nine points while Forward Rex Wyatt and Guard Lee Bowman tied for second honors with five markers each.

Forward Rex Jackson, captain, lead his Charleston team in scoring with 10 points from four field goals and two free throws. Bill Chronister, Bluejay forward, was runnerup with eight points.

PLAYS JACKSON TUESDAY

The A team goes to Jackson for a game Tuesday night and both quintets will see action in a double bill Friday night here against Poplar Bluff.

Sikeston's A team appeared on the court Friday night in new red and black uniforms and started the basket early in the first quarter.

Mrs. Emmer Jones Passes Away at Sikeston Home

Mrs. Emmer M. Jones died Friday at 12:30 p. m. at her home in Sikeston after a lingering illness. She was 68.

Born in Virginia May 22, 1872, she had lived in Sikeston 44 years.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 2:30 p. m. from the First Baptist church with the Rev. E. W. Milner, pastor, officiating. Burial was in the city cemetery with Welsh service.

Surviving are the husband, the Rev. Finis Jones; seven daughters, Mrs. Everett Lemons, Springfield, Ill.; Mrs. Ben Hazel, Sikeston; Mrs. H. M. Fikes, Little Rock; Mrs. Floyd Albright and Mrs. Charles Albright, both of Morehouse and Mrs. J. W. Marshall and Mrs. P. H. Stevenson, both of Sikeston, and a son, J. W. Jones, Pontiac, Mich.

Former Sikeston Resident Dies

Adolph Monroe Crevoisier, 70, former resident of Sikeston, died at his home in St. Louis Jan. 9 from bronchial pneumonia.

Mrs. Crevoisier once operated a bottling and ice cream company here.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crevoisier of near Conran, he married Miss Adeline Meate, Portageville, in 1890. He was a farmer near Portageville and operator of a bottling plant at New Madrid before coming to Sikeston.

He had retired after working with a clothing manufacturing company in St. Louis.

Funeral services and burial were conducted at Portageville Jan. 10. Surviving are the widow, four daughters, and two sons of St. Louis and another son, David, who lives at Swift.

FINED \$8

R. S. Putnam was arrested by Officer Harold Wallace Friday on a charge of drunkenness and disturbing the peace and was fined \$8 when he appeared before Police Judge Brown Jewell.

16 February Quota for Scott County

Scott county will be called upon to place 16 men in the army in February.

Simultaneous with announcement of the February quota, ten volunteers and three replacements in the event of disqualification traveled to Jefferson Barracks today for induction as fulfillment of the county's January allotment.

The 16 men from Scott will report at Jefferson Barracks Feb. 14 and Walter Buchanan, secretary of the county selective service board, at Benton expressed belief that sufficient volunteers might be available to meet that call.

BLUEJAYS COME TO LIFE

The Bluejays came to life in the third quarter. Forward Bill Chronister of Charleston sank two field goals in one-two order. Guard Lee Bowman of Sikeston came right back with a tally. Bluejay Guard Glen Briggance sank a free throw and his teammate Simpson pushed through a setup to bring the count to Sikeston 17, Charleston 16. Center Joe Burton of the Bulldogs went out on fouls.

Bowman of the Bulldogs sank a free throw to give Sikeston a two point edge then Chronister snatched the ball away from Swacker, dribbled it half way across the court to knot the count 18 all Jackson of the Bluejays, took a long pass to sink a setup that put Charleston ahead, 20-18 as the quarter ended.

Captain Swacker of the Bulldogs missed two free throw shots as the final frame opened and Simpson of the Bluejays took a long toss and hopped a setup to bring the score to 22-18 in Charleston's favor. Sikeston came back with Diehl pitching a free throw and Bowman putting through two free shots to give Charleston 22 and Sikeston 21.

SIKESTON TAKES LEAD

Buck Forbey, Bluejay forward, pitched a field goal. Swacker succeeded with a free throw and Guard Clarence Rafferty of Sikeston sank a field goal to put Sikeston ahead. (Continued on Page 5)

Work Started on First Oil Well In The County

The first oil well in New Madrid county, and in this section, will be started within the next few days, according to officials of the Cordova-Union Oil Corporation of Fort Worth, Texas, who are here making the ground plans for starting of the well.

This first well is to be drilled on the farm of Mrs. Eddy Phillips of New Madrid and the location is about one mile west of the city limits of New Madrid. The well position has been staked and it is to be known as the Eddy Phillips No. 1.

R. E. McCamey of Fort Worth will be in charge of the drilling for the company and he said that several trucks of drilling equipment were on their way here.

Three truck loads arrived Tuesday and the others were expected to arrive Thursday and the actual work will start immediately upon their arrival. A contract has been let to Brice Sherwood of near New Madrid, Mr. McCamey said, for the digging of a larger slush pit.

C. M. Beckner was the geologist in the locating of this well.

This well is in the approximate center of a block of leases containing about ten thousand acres of land which have been obtained by Atty. Merrill Spitzer and W. H. Coats of New Madrid in the hopes of having a test well drilled in this territory.

This test dates back about three years to when Mr. Coats and Atty. Spitzer first began the securing of the block of leases of New Madrid county farm land in a block and having done this, interesting an oil company in the drilling of the test well.

Some geological work has been done in this and other counties for the past two years, Atty. Spitzer said, and the results have been good enough to cause both the company and the two local gentlemen to be fairly optimistic as to the eventual outcome of oil tests in the county. If this first well does not produce, Mr. Spitzer said, it is probable that others will be drilled within the ten thousand-acre block.—New Madrid Record.

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Wedeking Promoted to State Office

Carl Wedeking, who has resided in Sikeston two years as manager of the Southeast Missouri district office of the Missouri State Employment Service, will become state supervisor of special services for the agency with headquarters in Jefferson City Jan. 27.

He announced the promotion Saturday and said that Houck Mitchell, claims deputy in the office here, would succeed him as manager of the district, which encompasses Scott, Stoddard, New Madrid, Mississippi, Dunklin and Pemiscot counties.

The position which Wedeking takes in Jefferson City is a recently created one embracing vocational guidance and rehabilitation with the employment service working in cooperation with the state department of education.

Wedeking has been with the federal state agency five years. He worked in Cape Girardeau and Poplar Bluff before coming here. Mrs. Wedeking and son, Jimmy, 10, will remain at their home here, 901 Vernon street, until the close of the school term before moving to the capital city.

Mitchell has been in the district office in Sikeston three months. He has been connected with the service six years, coming here from Crystal City where he was office manager.

100 Per Cent Satisfaction Hard to Attain

There is not always 100 per cent satisfaction among rural electric consumers.

Project Supervisor H. M. Zaricor of the Scott-New Madrid-Mississippi Cooperative association told Friday of the Stoddard county woman who took her second automobile road to voice the complaint that electricity was not as wonderful as it had been pictured to her.

"I don't see that's any better than a coal oil lamp," the 65-year-old woman said.

Curious to learn the reason for her dissatisfaction, Zaricor visited her home.

He found one electrical outlet in the center of the living room of the five-room house. A single bulb was suspended from a coil of 42 feet of drop cord. The woman had used the single light, carrying it from one room to the other and hanging it on hooks in each.

She had never seen an electrical installation prior to that in her home and after she had been shown what her neighbors had done with outlets in each room made a similar change in her own home.

Zaricor reported that she was well satisfied with electricity now.

140th Gives to March of Dimes

The 140th Infantry of which Company K of Sikeston is a unit and headquarters company of the seventieth infantry brigade Jefferson City, both now in training at Camp Robinson, Ark., wired \$151.70 to St. Louis as their contribution to the March of Dimes in the Fight Infantine Paralysis campaign.

The wire was signed by Col. Harry E. Dudley, Sikeston, commanding officer of the 140th, who said, "We are 100 per cent for the March of Dimes."

Four Ways to Buy at Sale

The Buckner-Ragsdale Co. will hold its annual January clearance sale featuring Alex F. Kessler furs Wednesday and Thursday offering four ways to buy, lay-away, cash, charge and deferred payments.

Detailed information on the sale may be found in a page ad in this issue.

FINED \$10

Rich Vinson was fined \$10 by Police Judge Brown Jewell Sunday after his arrest by Officer Harold Nelson on a charge of drunkenness.

Pat Noonan Dies at Cape Hospital

Francis James (Pat) Noonan for many years connected with the state highway department here and in Jefferson city died Saturday at 8 p. m. in St. Francis hospital from typhoid fever which developed after an attack of influenza. He was 46.

Mr. Noonan became ill Dec. 23 and was taken to the hospital four days before he passed away. He was widely known here, where he had served as city engineer and in Missouri engineering and political circles.

An enthusiastic booster for Southeast Missouri and its road program, he gave unstinted support to development of its highway network.

BORN IN NEW YORK CITY

Born Oct. 24, 1894 in New York City the son of Frank J. and Annie Smith Noonan, he was educated in public school system there, receiving his bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from Manhattan college in 1919.

He was married in 1922 to Mary Louise Wolf of New York City.

As a young man he moved westward, living in Illinois before going to Jefferson City where he became connected with the state highway department.

TO SIKESTON IN 1920

He came to Sikeston in 1920 as project engineer for Mississippi county. In 1927 he was made chief of surveys and plans for division 10 of the highway department headquartered here.

He returned to Jefferson City headquarters in 1935 as engineer in special assignments with the state as his territory. In 1937 he came back to Sikeston as division 10 engineer, serving in this capacity until he resigned in 1939 to enter private engineering.

In addition to his duties as city engineer, he was Dunklin county engineer.

FUNERAL TUESDAY

Funeral services will be conducted at 9 a. m. Tuesday from St. Francis Xavier church with Father Hoorman in charge. Burial will be in Memorial Park cemetery with Welsh Service.

Surviving are the widow, two sons, Edward and Patrick Noonan, students at Chaminade college, Clayton; three daughters, Mary Anna Noonan, who attends Ursuline academy, Arcadia; Frances Jean, who attends St. Francis Xavier school, and Kathleen Ruth Noonan of Sikeston, and two brothers, Ed J. Noonan, Marshall, and John T. Noonan, New York City.

Pall bearers at the services will be Charles L. Blanton, Jr., C. J. Stevens, T. H. Jennings, R. L. Proffer, William DeKriek and E. K. Ponder.

Honorary pall bearers are Charles L. Blanton, Sr., R. C. Matthews, A. P. Burrows, Tom Allen, Otto Schoen, Fred Harris, G. M. Harrison, Leo Beckett, Kemper Bruton and Ed Jennings.

Negro Fined For Fighting

J. P. Davis, negro, was arrested by Officer Grover Lewis over the week end on a charge of fighting.

The negro was accused of wounding Myrtle Tullie, negro, over the eye with a blow from a stick.

He was fined \$10 when he appeared before Police Judge Brown Jewell Monday and ordered to pay the woman's doctor bill.

Negro Killed In Car Mishap

James Grissin, 30, negro of Charleston, was killed instantly today when a trailer truck ran off a bridge and overturned on the Hunterville-Parma road.

Willie Davis, another negro, sustained leg injuries.

Earl Brinkley, the driver, said he lost control when a tire hit a rut.

CIRCLE TO MEET

A social meeting of the Business Women's Circle of the First Baptist Church will be held at the home of Miss Helen Johnson this Tuesday evening.

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TICKET
SIKESTON STANDARD
This Ticket Will Admit
Mrs. Georgia E. Cox & friend
—to the—
MALONE THEATRE
Tuesday, Jan. 21 to see
"MICHAEL SHANE"



The foreign correspondents were assembled at the Kremlin.

"COMRADE X"



Vanya accuses Thompson of being Comrade X.

CHAPTER ONE

Commissar Vasilyev, chief of the Russian Secret Police, addressed the assembled foreign correspondents at the Kremlin:

"I wish to inform you that I have taken over the Press Department—a step made necessary by the continued activities of the unscrupulous journalist who calls himself Comrade X. He is still alive, sending false stories and faked photographs to the Mercury Syndicate Service in New York. Because of this fact each one of you must suffer. Until the real Comrade X is found, you will not be allowed to leave Moscow, your telephone calls will be under firm control, you will not be permitted to ride in an automobile unless it is driven by a member of this department."

"We can't get any stories if we can't get around," objected a correspondent.

"That is the idea exactly. You are to get no stories until Comrade X has been finally disposed of."

"Do I understand that we get no more stories from Comrade Molkov?" inquired Hofer, a German correspondent.

"Exactly. There will be no news and there is no Comrade Molkov. The former head of the press department was the victim last night of a traffic accident. I am speaking at the unveiling of his tombstone at the Kapulski Cemetery at three o'clock. You may all return to your hotels except Laszlo, Isuki, Thompson and Williams. I will speak with them privately. Mr. Thompson, you first."

McKinley B. Thompson, strapping young American ostensibly correspondent for the Topeka Eagle, followed the Commissar into his private office.

"Mr. Thompson, you were in Koorilino on the eleventh, you engaged in a drunken fist fight with employees of the Hotel Olympic when they tried to throw you out for annoying other guests; on the twelfth you were thrown out of the Opera House for singing. I pass over the thirteenth and fourteenth. On the fifteenth you were picked up at dawn in an unconscious condition at this address."

The Commissar showed him an address and continued: "I will appreciate it very much if you will keep away from that address. The lady who lives there is a very dear friend of mine."

Thompson smiled suddenly: "Commissar, it's a deal."

"Thank you. My Government has long admired the way in which you serve Russia and the Topoksi Eagle. I would like your help in uncovering Comrade X. I promise you will be rewarded. Will you help me?"

"Well, if it should turn out to be a guy I don't like—"

"Good! Of course, you yourself are under suspicion. Two detectives will watch you." He escorted Thompson to the door. "I will look forward to results from you."

"Any news for today, Commissar?"

"You can report my speech at the funeral of Comrade Molkov."

Coming from the chief of the Soviet Secret Police, that was a command. The hour named found Thompson at the cemetery. A

number of peasant bearing a coffin on their shoulders and singing a dirge, passed him. As it neared the spot where Vasilyev was speaking before a draped statue of his predecessor, Molkov, Thompson suddenly straightened up; he had seen the lid of the coffin on the shoulders of the peasants lifted while a heavily bearded face looked toward Vasilyev. The lid was at once lowered.

Concealing his movements, Thompson took a small camera out of a miniature radio set he always carried with him, then followed the coffin bearers.

The Commissar finished his laudation of the dead Molkov and called for a salute. As he raised his arm, the soldiers back of him fired a round. But at the same moment the lid of the coffin was raised, a revolver was protruded and fired. But not before the young American had obtained a snapshot of the bearded face in the coffin. Hiding the camera in the back of the radio, Thompson hastily made his way toward Vasilyev. The Commissar had been but slightly wounded in the arm by the revolver shot.

Back in his room at the Hotel Ambassador, Thompson developed the picture he had taken, then sat down at his typewriter to pound out his report of Vasilyev's speech. When he had finished the first page he withdrew it and spread over it an ink-stained handkerchief with holes in it. These words appeared through the holes: "Attempted Vasilyev killing. Am on track of assassin."

He hastily pocketed the handkerchief as the door opened. Vanya, a hotel valet, entered with a freshly pressed suit.

"I want to speak to you privately, sir."

"Well, what is it?"

"Your camera. It is against the law to have a camera in Moscow."

"Oh, so that's it! This is a big surprise, pal. I didn't know you were a police spy."

"I am not a spy for the police, Mr. Thompson. When I was cleaning your suit I found a railroad ticket in it, third class from Koorilino to Kranstadt on the Baltic where the Russian fleet is having some trouble."

"What did you do with the ticket stub?"

"I sent it to my friend Mitka. He collects evidence. This ticket proves you were in Kranstadt at the time of the mutiny and not drunk and having a good time in Koorilino. And Mitka says a third class ticket shows you disguised yourself."

"He sounds like a very bright man."

"Oh, yes. When I told him there was always ink on one of your handkerchiefs, he said to me: 'Vanya, put the handkerchief over the writing sent to America and you will see something.'"

"And what did you see?"

"I saw nothing. I am only a stupid valet, only Mitka and I have figured out that you are Comrade X."

"Okay Vanya. How much for you? How much for Mitka?"

"I have not been working for

money, Mr. Thompson. I have had a bigger object in view."

"All right. Spill it."

"Mr. Thompson, I love my daughter. She's in terrible danger."

CHAPTER TWO

"What's she doing?" asked Mr. Thompson.

"She's a Communist."

"I thought they were allowed in Russia."

"It's the worst thing you can be. At first they were very popular. They killed everybody and that's how they made the Communist Soviet. But the Communists have ideals. But you can't have a government when everybody has ideals. They get in the way of the police. So the Communists are being executed so that Communists government should succeed. Last Wednesday an agent from the Secret Police questioned me about her. She is being followed."

"What can I do about it?"

"Mr. Thompson I want you to take her out of Russia and save her life. A father's heart is speaking, Mr. Thompson."

"Tell her to come up and see me."

"She can't leave the car—she's a motorman. And she has a strong will. She loves Russia and she won't leave it."

"I'd better see this Mitka. Where is he?"

"That will do no good—even if you kill me and Mitka, too. Mitka has sent the letter which told how we know you are Comrade X to the Secret Police in Vladivostok. They will get it in three days and send it back to Moscow. That gives you six days to get out of Russia and take my daughter with you."

"You've fixed everything fine, you butter-fingered spy! It's been telegraphed back to Moscow ten minutes after the Vladivostok police got it! Well, this is the end of the line for me!"

"Mitka never thought of the telegraph."

"Here I've treated you like a brother, Vanya, and you stick my head in the noose!"

"Forgive me, Mr. Thompson. I'm very sad, but what shall I tell Mitka?"

"You can tell that stooge of yours he's got my neck in a halter. Three days and ten minutes to get an abstinence lady motorman out of the Russia she loves! Well, take me to her."

Vanya's daughter, Galubka, started the street car full speed ahead when she saw her father waiting at a street corner but Thompson managed to swing a board and struggled through the mass of passengers to her side.

"I don't want to bother you when you're busy... Galubka... but I want to talk to you."

"My name is Theodore," responded the lady motorman without even a look at him.

"You don't look like Theodore to me."

"I was named at the Workers' Council. Street cars must be driven by males."

"Okay, I ran after you for a very important reason."

"Sex talk is forbidden on the front platform."

"It's not that. I'm saying goodbye to Russia. It's like saying goodbye to a woman you love."

"You love Russia?"

"You are an American. All Americans are crazy. I read in the Pravda that ten million people starved to death last winter—and there was nobody to bury them."

"They don't bury them. They burn 'em. That's what I'm going back to—bloated capitalistic cafes, people dancing day and night, not a thought in their heads. Nothing real, nothing serious."

"No ideals? It sounds worse than I thought. I read in the Pravda about their inhumanity—"

"There are some things even the Pravda doesn't print."

"Why not?"

"Because people wouldn't believe it. They'd say it can't be true—just propaganda."

The car line ended in a field where Galubka was to turn it over to another motorman. She took Thompson's arm and led him to a fence, for the moon was just rising and the field was full of ruts and holes.

"I know what you are thinking, Comrade. You are thinking you will never see this again—this beautiful night, and Russia. But please don't be sad. There is so much to live for—even in America."

"What was I thinking—why don't you come to America with me?"

"Yes, I am thinking of that too. I feel sorry for America. I would like to help them."

"You could, Theodore. You'd do more Communism in America than anyone except Columbus, you're so pretty."

"Now you are making fun of me."

"No, I'm just talking from a practical point of view. The trouble with Communistic propaganda in America is that so many are peddling it. One beautiful girl with the smile of an angel, like you, whispering 'I love Russia' is worth a whole wagon load of intellectuals."

Well, even a female motorman is subject to flattery from a good-looking and apparently adoring male, and Thompson cajoled and flattered her until she saw that it was her duty to Russia to go to America with this stranger and help spread Communism there.

Returning to Moscow, she left him saying she must look him up. He was hurriedly preparing to leave the Ambassador for some other hotel when Theodore, with a packed suitcase arrived.

"Hello, Comrade," she smiled, putting her arms about him. I've made the investigation. You are perfect. Bastakoff told me."

"Who's Bastakoff?"

Sportsmen's Show Will Be Held Feb. 8

St. Louis — The second annual Southwest Sportsmen's Show, composite of more than a dozen activities, will bring to St. Louis one of the outstanding attractions in the field of marksmanship when it opens at the St. Louis Municipal Auditorium for nine days, beginning February 8.

Each afternoon and evening, the nationally famous "Shooting Mansfields"—Frank, Marie and Frank, Jr., billed as "the Wizards of the Winchester"—will display their skill in one of the most brilliant rifle routines ever devised. It will be the trio's first appearance in St. Louis.

She kissed him before answering. "He is the man I love more than anybody in the world. He has a great soul—so sweet! He knows everything. When I finished telling him about you he said, 'Theodore, you have ideals. Follow them. We'll get married.'"

Thompson detached himself from her arms with difficulty. "Look here, Theodore, I wasn't figuring on marriage."

"Lucky for you, I am the practical one. We must be married. It is the only way we can get permission to leave Russia."

"When do you figure on this marriage, Theodore?"

"Tonight."

"I'd say it's kind of late for a wedding."

"That's all right. The marriage bureau keeps open until one a. m. And Bastakoff says delay would be foolish."

Read the third chapter of this colorful adventure-romance in the next issue.

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Mansfield, himself, will play a set of chimes by pumping out bullets in rhythmic succession. He will display his ability at speed on the trigger by firing 50 shots in 15 seconds, and will demonstrate his ambidextrous accuracy in a routine of two-gun shooting. Also, Mansfield will score knock-out-blows at various targets as he shoots a rifle from every conceivable position.

UNUSUAL FEATS

Marie Mansfield and "Junior" will also appear in unusual feats of marksmanship, specializing on speed and dead-eye accuracy.

Also announced for conclusion at the show is the Alaskan Village, famous New York World's Fair feature which stars an Eskimo family, living, playing and boasting as it does in its Arctic homeland. The family was imported from the North by Explorer David Irwin, and its performance is topped off by a demonstration by the father, who shows how to roll over in a kayak (canoe) without getting wet.

The show, itself, is being planned with a view toward offering both educational and entertaining features in which all sportsmen will be interested and is likely to surpass last year's event, which drew large crowds to virtually every performance.

MANY FEATURES EXPECTED

Many features of the 1940 show are expected to be included. Among these are the ski jumpers, Frank Hogan's dogs, and Ken Wilhelm, leading bow and arrow expert. Show managers are attempting to acquire the services of Chief Ho Tonga, member of the Winnebago tribe.

There will be numerous competitions in bait and fly-casting, pistol and rifle shooting, table tennis, badminton, log-sawing, horseshoe

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Japanese Newspaper Attacks U.S. Policy of Fleet at Hawaii

Tokyo, Jan. 17. — The foreign office-controlled Japan Times suggested today that "the best way" of keeping President Roosevelt's "pledge that no troops will be sent to foreign soil would be to withdraw the Navy to home waters."

Commenting on criticism in the United States Congress of the lease-lend bill to aid Britain, the Times said:

"To Japanese it looks very much like the United States is going the long way around for sending armed forces into the scene of action abroad" by maintenance of a fleet at Hawaii.

\$19,500 DAMAGE TO GREENVILLE PROPOSED

Cape Girardeau, January 17.—Award of \$19,500 damages to the City of Greenville for streets and roads to be inundated by Wappapello Dam in Southeast Missouri was recommended in a report filed in Federal Court today by three Special Commissioners.

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Prepare to Launch Fight Paralysis Drive

New York—From Maine to California and across the Pacific to the Philippines, millions of Americans prepared this week to launch the all-out offensive of the 1941 "Fight Infantile Paralysis" campaign.

Keith Morgan, National Chairman of the Committee for the Celebration of the President's Birthday, declared that the first half of the campaign had brought forth a national response unequalled in any previous drives against the crippling invader.

Following the example of Governor Herbert H. Lehman of New York, the governors of many states have issued proclamations calling upon their citizens to give their whole-hearted support to the drive, Mr. Morgan said. Across America, the "March of Dimes," the "Mile-O-Dimes," "Home Parties" and sports events were rolling in hundreds of thousands of dollars with which to buy health and happiness for victims of the disease and to attack the virus in laboratories.

COMPLETES QUOTA

The town of Maud, Oklahoma, became the first community in the country to complete its quota. In fact, its war chest was filed when the campaign opened, on January 13. Closely following were the counties of Conway and Cleveland, Arkansas.

The Sports Events Council, headed by Grantland Rice, and the Sports Events Committee, with Former Postmaster General James A. Farley as chairman, informed Mr. Morgan that 180 benefit contests and exhibition matches will have taken place before the campaign closes on January 30, President Roosevelt's 59th birthday.

The enthusiastic "Mile-o-Dimes" drive directed by George Allen, former Commissioner of the District of Columbia, gained momentum throughout the nation last week as city after city, aimed at the goal of at least enough dimes to stretch a mile, Mr. Morgan discovered that the number of dimes per mile is exactly 89,872.34.

MARCH OF DIMES ROLLING

The nationwide "March of Dimes" supported by Eddie Cantor's "March of Dimes of the Air," continued to roll in unprecedented contributions, according to reports reaching national headquarters.

Meanwhile, the women of America were busy with "Home Parties" which raised thousands of dollars for the war chest against infantile paralysis. Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt set the style for this type of celebration at her party for women campaign workers on January 14.

The great multiple-unit retail establishments headed in the drive by General R. E. Wood, Chairman of the Board of Sears, Roebuck and Company, all have reported record-breaking contributions in their stores.

LABOR AIDS BATTLE

Labor, under the chairmanships of William Green, President of the American Federation of Labor and Philip Murray, President of the Congress of Industrial Organizations has conducted the most vigorous battle in the long war against infantile paralysis.

The railroad systems represented by J. J. Pelley, President of the Association of American Railroads, this year have given their unstinted support to the distribution of coin containers and greeting cards in which coins may be inserted. Morgan also revealed that during

Chiropractors To Convene

Dr. R. H. Flesherman of St. Louis, President of the Missouri State Chiropractor Association will be the principal speaker at the meeting of the Southeast district of the Association Jan. 26 at Perryville, Missouri.

Dr. Flesherman, past president of the Wellston Optimist Club, will speak on "Chiropractors in National Defense."

Comedian Carried \$360,000 Insurance

Philadelphia, Pa., January 16.—Joe Penner carried life insurance amounting to \$360,000, Coroner Charles H. Hersch disclosed today in announcing that an autopsy showed the stage and movie comedian's death here last Friday was caused by a heart attack.

The Coroner said he was told the amount of the life insurance was the reason "why there was a general desire to have the cause of Penner's death settled as quickly as possible, particularly after a suggestion that an overdose of sleeping powders might have been responsible."

Chemists found no trace of a foreign substance, Hersch said. Penner's show, "Yokel Boy," was playing here when he died.

WHEN ARE "CREDIT CHECKS" JUST PLAIN BUNK?

Answer: Almost always. Purporting to be the "same as cash," "awarded" to those entering certain types of "contests," they usually represent trickery and misrepresentation.

So many complaints have been received that the St. Louis Better Business Bureau has recommended no "credit checks" be "awarded" or advertised, the use of which depends upon an additional outlay

ing the year, the United States has increased by 60 per cent its system of defense against infantile paralysis. These "fortifications," he said, are the chartered chapters of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis which have increased in number from 646 to 1,048 since January 1940.

Putting Infantile Paralysis Funds to Work



One of the uses of funds raised for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis is that of vocational rehabilitation . . . this young lady, after medical treatment has enabled her to lead a normally-physical life, visited W. N. Harnett of the State Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, where a careful study was made of her abilities and where she was advised as to what type of work she was most fitted . . .

(Right) She enrolls in a school of dress designing and is happily engaged in her work . . . Little "Margie" the model, seems pleased, too, for her part in the work.



(Left) Graduation, and her own shop—what young girl wouldn't want that opportunity! And before long, an assistant, too. This little business enterprise and the consequent rehabilitation of a useful citizen was made possible thru the support of the fight on infantile paralysis.

in cash. How can "credit checks," similar in appearance to an ordinary check, represent bona fide discounts, in cash, from the usual retail prices? They can't and don't. Experience shows that prices are sufficiently raised in advance to

cover the supposed "reduction," or they are dishonored, on presentation, under one pretext or another. They are employed by certain types of business merely to get a mailing list of prospective customers, or to bamboozle the public into believing they have "won" some-

\$12,968.92 Retained in Polio Fight

St. Louis — Of the \$26,167.11 raised in Missouri in 1940 for the war on Infantile Paralysis, \$12,968.92 was retained by the 37 local chapters of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis for direct aid to the local Polios, as victims of poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis) are known.

In addition to this fund, the National Foundation in 1940, made a grant of \$3,000,000 to Dr. Margaret G. Smith of the Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis for virus research. Despite the fact that infantile paralysis is suspected of being an ancient disease based on skeletons and mummies dating beyond 3,000 B. C. found to reveal deformities which indicate the disease existed in prehistoric times, little is known today of the cause or how to prevent it. Modern medical science, while able to effect almost miraculous after-treatment, has been unable to isolate the germ. The virus which causes the paralysis passes unchecked thru the finest filter yet devised and is invisible to the most powerful microscope. Research is constantly going on in the leading medical centers of the Nation—a costly project and a project which must ultimately succeed and yet which cannot be carried on without the aid of people in all sections of the country.

It is of more passing interest to note that a description of the symptoms of Infantile Paralysis was written by Michael Underwood of London as early as 1784, and yet it was not until 1840 that Infantile Paralysis was distinguished from other forms of paralysis. The "poliomyelitis" is derived from the Greek indicating inflammation of the grey matter of the spinal cord which frequently results in paralysis. Despite all the heroic efforts of doctors and scientists the world over, the disease is steadily increasing. It is impossible to de-

termine where or when it will deliver its most devastating blow. In 1938, the United States boasted of the lowest Polio record of the current century, yet Germany was experiencing its worst epidemic. The following year, more than 7,200 cases were reported, an increase of 5,500 over 1938. By October of 1940 the number of cases exceeded the twelve months total of 1939. Indications were that 1940 would be the worst year in his history. In Missouri, 29 cases were reported in 1939, while more than 300 were reported in 1940. The strange habits of the disease were demonstrated in the case of Indiana, for that State, one of the most sorely hit in 1940, had been virtually free from the disease since 1931. Epidemics of major proportions flourished in the South Atlantic, Middle West and Pacific Coast areas.

Since the founding of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis in 1937, the occasion of President Roosevelt's Birthday has been used as the hub of a nationwide drive to raise funds to carry on the essential research work and to provide local chapters of the Foundation with money to apply direct relief to the victims thru medical care, social and vocational rehabilitation and frequently to finance their activities while they are being treated.

This year again, the National Campaign has gotten under way. In Missouri, under the leadership of State Chairman Robert T. Hensley, prominent St. Louis attorney, the celebration of the President's Birthday will be one of the sources of funds. In other communities in Missouri, athletic contests, picture shows and solicitations will help swell the total raised by Missouri.

Regional meetings of County Chairmen have been held in various sections of the State where plans of ways and means of surpassing last year's total have been discussed and completed. Indications from the vast army of volunteer workers making up the Missouri committee, the \$26,000.00 total will be topped by at least 25 per cent Hensley estimated.

X-RAYS TAKEN

Albert Ross of north of Sikeston was taken to the Sikeston General Hospital for X-rays Thursday and returned to his home in the Albritton ambulance.

At one time the English Channel was a great mountain range.

Wildlife Parley Set

Washington — The first annual North American Wildlife Conference to be held in the South will bring together most of America's outstanding conservationists, wildlife technicians, sportsmen and nature-lovers at Memphis, Tenn., February 17, 18, and 19. The annual meeting of the National Wildlife Federation, to be held in conjunction with the Conference, will open February 16.

One of the highlights of the six-day yearly get-together of those interested in wildlife restoration and conservation will be a report by Dr. Ira N. Gabrielson, Chief of the Fish and Wildlife Service, U. S. Department of the Interior. Gabrielson will outline a plan for future conservation and restoration of wildlife. At the first North American Wildlife Conference, called by President Roosevelt in Washington in 1936, Gabrielson outlined a seven-point program of restoration and conservation which is just coming to a close.

"The seven-point program that I advocated in 1936 has succeeded beyond my most optimistic expectations," Gabrielson stated recently. "It looks now as though we are definitely on our way and in a position to do some long-time programming."

Another important feature of the Conference will be a panel discussion of conservation and defense activities. Two outstanding conservationists will tell how defense activities, if not carefully planned, may deprive the country of basic natural resources, while two authorities on defense will explain the need of natural resources in carrying out the present "all-out" aid to Britain and defense activities.

A panel discussion on conservation education and the annual meeting of the Outdoor Writer's Association of America will be among other highlights of the conference.

One of the most important sub-

Blood for Britain Saving Hundreds

New York City — Commenting on American Red Cross shipments to England, Ben Robertson London correspondent for the newspaper PM, said that blood plasma has been one of the "most valuable" items the British have received from America.

"Believe me," he wrote, "the blood which Americans have given for Britain, has saved hundreds of British lives and up to now has been one of the most valuable helps we have given the British. Britain had stored up its own blood plasma supplies before the blitz began, but these rapidly diminished when the Germans began bombing British cities. Britain then began using its American supply."

"Blood transfusions are one of the first treatments given bombed victims as many of them have been buried perhaps six to eight hours beneath debris and very often, they have lost much blood before being rescued."

GOVERNMENT RELIEF FOR THE UNSHAVEN

Paul Gerster, chief postoffice clerk at Paris, late one recent evening was locking the back doors of the federal building and preparing to leave when he heard a suspicious drilling noise, as if someone might be attempting to open the postoffice safe. Cautiously investigating, Gerster saw a strange young woman holding a mirror under a light while her husband industriously pried an electric razor which he had plugged into one of the sockets in the open lobby of the building. Both were strangers.—Paris Appeal.

jects to be considered at the annual meeting of the National Wildlife Federation will be a discussion of the further development of a conservation education by that organization.

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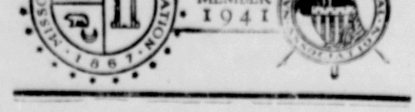
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Off again and on again is what we said to our longies. For several days the weather was more like Spring weather, then Friday came a change, and we made another change.

Bettie Grable, curvaceous stage and screen actress, was nursing a sore jaw Thursday. She had to have a dental operation to have an impacted wisdom tooth removed.

The story of Wolf Island printed on this page is from the Louisville Courier-Journal, who sent the mats to the Clinton, Ky., Gazette from whom we borrowed the name. With a picture and a reading matter makes a very interesting article and The Standard management hereby thanks the Clinton Gazette for the use of the mats.

Matthews to Cape Store

Clyde Matthews, manager of the A. and P. store here from its opening, has been transferred to the main street A. and P. store in Cape Girardeau. He began work in the new location Monday morning.

Former Sikeston Minister Dies

The Rev. Charles C. Barnhardt, who was the pastor of the Methodist church here for three years, died Saturday night at St. Charles where he was pastor of the Methodist church.

Variety of Weather Here

A variety of weather such as the late Mark Twain once wrote about was Sikeston's dish over the week end. It included traces of snow, rain, clear and cloudy weather.

Friday 52 of an inch of rain was recorded by Harry Young who reported a maximum temperature of 55 and a minimum of 42. The high and low temperatures for Saturday were 44 and 26 while the mercury slid down to 15 above Sunday with 29 the maximum. The weather moderated Monday with a maximum of 32 and minimum of 17 with the clouds disappearing.

FIRE DEPARTMENT MAKES RUN

The fire department made a run to the home of Marion Jewell, 510 New Street, Sunday at 4:30 p. m. A small fire had broken out near the flu. It was extinguished without damage.

Lizards of the iguana family of tropical American are strictly vegetarians.

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Specialist Coming

Benton—Miss Mary E. Robinson, clothing specialist from the college of Agriculture, University of Missouri, will hold a Clothing Leaders Training Meeting Friday at 1:30 p. m. in the county court room at Benton.

These leaders will be trained in the principles of color, line, design, and texture of material selection, most becoming to the individual. Others interested in this project are also invited to attend.

Gene Stoupe of Vicksburg, Miss., son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stoupe, arrived here Monday, having been called home on account of the critical illness of his grandmother, Mrs. H. M. Lepley of Benton, who is suffering from a heart ailment.

Mrs. Henry Greenlee and daughter, Janice Fern, of Sikeston left Saturday morning for Omaha, Neb., where they will join Mr. Greenlee who has been employed there for the past two weeks. They are expecting to make their home there.

Miss Olga Matthews expects to leave the last of this month to visit her mother, Mrs. E. E. Durham of Caruthersville, who is coming to be at the bedside of her Sunday.

Louis Canary of Washington, Ind., is here visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Keith and Mrs. J. F. Cox Sr.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSOURI TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT, GREETING:

You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri, wherein Plaintiff claims damages in the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) and costs, and that the said action is returnable to the first day of March, 1941, at 10 o'clock a. m. in the Court House in the Town of Benton, Scott County, Missouri, on the first day of March, 1941, when and where you may appear and answer or otherwise defend such action; otherwise default will be taken as by law provided and judgment rendered accordingly.

It is further ordered, That a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Sikeston Standard, Missouri, the last issue thereof to be at least fifteen days before the first day of said March Term, 1941, and a newspaper of general circulation published in Scott County, Missouri, the last issue thereof to be at least fifteen days before the first day of said March Term, 1941, of this Court, to which this order is returnable.

A true copy from the record.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have affixed the seal of said Court, Done at Office in Benton, Missouri, this 15th day of January, A. D. 1941.

L. J. Pfefferkorn, Circuit Clerk.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have affixed the seal of said Court, Done at Office in Benton, Missouri, this 15th day of January, A. D. 1941.

D. S. MCGEE, Attorney for the Plaintiff.

37-29-41-43

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Anna Stubbfield, Administratrix of the estate of W. F. Stubbfield, deceased, will make final settlement of accounts with said estate as such Administratrix at the next term of the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri, to be held at Benton in said county, on the first day of March, A. D. 1941, at 10 o'clock a. m. in the Court House in the Town of Benton, Scott County, Missouri.

Anna Stubbfield, Administratrix.

37-29-41-43

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That Letters of Administration on the estate of Laura W. Smith, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 20th day of January, 1941, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

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Kentucky's Tight Little Island Is Slipping

OLD CHANNEL MISSOURI



Literally speaking, there isn't a Wolf Island any more. The old channel where the



Here's how Kentucky looks at a point opposite the island. The Mississippi tides are eating away the Kentucky bank, just as formerly they leaped at Missouri shore.

THE new year comes over the horizon in a time of group of humble, God-loving Kentuckians—some 115 of them, residents of Wolf Island—gather about the log in their cozy but unpicturesque homes, built on stilts, and ponder on what 1941 will bring to their troubled world.

The people of this island community, isolated as it may be, enjoy some modern conveniences—automobiles, radio and so on—and are unusually well posted on current events.

Their island is a strip of land six miles long and about two miles wide, lying in the Mississippi River just off the Missouri bank, several miles below Columbus-On-the-Bluff, Ky.

While the rest of the world is concerned with war and how long it will last, Wolf Islanders are studying what they consider a local problem. It's the crazy Mississippi River that has them in a dilemma.

Twice in the last thirteen years the mighty body of water has bulged, swept over Wolf Island and carried away the possessions of its inhabitants. Wolf Island folk say they couldn't stand another flood like those in 1927 and 1937. And they are wondering if God and the Mississippi River will spare them in 1941.

Wolf Island residents, at least a majority of them, have lived there for years. Their fathers and their grandfathers before them resided on the island. It's the only home they have ever known. The land is divided into small tracts. The residents own those tracts. They bought and paid for them with grain, cotton and livestock they raised.

The size of the floods in recent years has made Wolf Islanders a fearful lot. They'll tell you that life on the island is not that it used to be. Time was when the land as rich in pecan and walnut trees. Acre after acre of timber has been cut. The soil, so, is not as rich as it once was. Instead of leaving an alluvial deposit the latest floods took away much of the island's rich soil.

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Building Goes On at Lively Clip Here

Winter is no deterrent to building activity in Sikeston.

Home building, repair and improvement of business property continues despite interruption because of adverse weather conditions.

John Martin recently completed a five-room frame house with basement on Lake street.

Herman Elam's four-room frame house on Edmondson street is under construction.

A five-room house is being constructed on Williams street by Woodrow Seagraves.

Construction is underway on a seven-room house with basement on Vernon street for Herbert Fox.

COX HOME COMPLETED

The home of J. F. Cox, Jr., has been completed on North Park avenue. It is a story and a half, seven rooms with bath, double basement and garage. Ray B. Duncan was the contractor.

A remodeling job has been completed on the home of Ralph Peterson on the corner of Harrison and Tanager streets. A room and bath were added.

Herb Walton is building a six-room frame house with basement and double garage on Maplewood.

Two four-room frame houses with bath and basement are being constructed on West Park street for Ernest Harper. Carl Boyer is the contractor.

Ward Denman is building a five-room, story and a half frame house with basement and attached garage.

CARMODY HOME FINISHED

The five-room frame home with bath of Richard Carmody has been completed on Sikes avenue. V. I. Edwards was the contractor.

A six-room, frame house with bath, basement and garage has been completed for Clyde Matthews on Maple Drive. Ray Duncan was the contractor.

The home of E. R. Putnam, Jr., is nearing completion on Sikes avenue. It is a five-room frame house with bath and basement. Ray B. Duncan is the contractor.

B. J. Murback is building the Park Avenue Apartments, a two story brick structure with full basement for garages of ten cars. Seven family size apartments are being constructed with Penzel Construction Company, the contractor.

BUDGET OF \$127,461

Denke, chairman of the budget committee, reported a budget of \$127,461 for the next year with approximately \$2,000 to come from the Phillips foundation. He announced that a conciliatory move would be connected in the Spring and called for the raising of more money locally to carry on an expanded program.

Among those attending from Sikeston were Philip Sadler, O. T. Elder, Enos, Edwin Hardin, Bill County, Ennis, when a youth of 19. Irby, most extensive landowner on Wolf Island, and lives with his wife and their son and daughter-in-law.

"The old island just ain't what she used to be," the venerable Irby, a typical tiller of the soil, tells visitors to the island. "The boys don't let us alone. Time was when Skelton, we lived happy and peaceful here; raised all our food, made enough money and enjoyed life. But now, well, you just don't know when the Mississippi will come up and wash you away. Most of the timber is gone and the land is not as good as it used to be. Back years ago we raised a lot of wheat and the soil produced fifty-two bushels of corn to the acre. It won't do it now. We still raise cotton, corn and livestock."

Old John Irby says you can't tell what the Mississippi will do from year to year. And he and other Wolf Island residents get to wondering each January and February if the mighty river will spare them in the coming year.

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Sikeston Missouri

Missouri Once Had 2 Governors, 2 Legislatures, Historians Recall

The to-do at Jefferson City is the biggest Missouri news of the last week—three Governors entangled in going to Jerusalem proceedings around the governorship with the Legislature playing the piano—but it is not, as vaunted, Missouri's worst political crisis.

Missouri's worst political crisis is now in the history books, half forgotten. A Governor of Missouri, in office, was deposed; a state convention appointed a new Governor, who held office for three years; for a time, there were two Governors and two Legislatures.

It all happened, as old Missourians will begin to remember, in the civil war year, 1861, when Missouri was riven between the North and South. The story is set out in the Missouri histories by Walter B. Stevens, Walter Williams, and Floyd C. Shoemaker.

STORY IN BRIEF

Briefly, it is this: Missouri in 1860 was a slave and border state but tied to the North by strong ties. In Shoemaker's words, it wanted "union, peace, conservatism and compromise." Stephen A. Douglas, Northern Democrat, carried Missouri, only, in the 1860 election won by Lincoln.

But the state regime at Jefferson City was for the South. The new Gov., Claiborne F. Jackson was a Southerner; the South had the largest party in the Legislature. With South Carolina leading the South to secession, Gov. Jackson and the Legislature called a convention to decide Missouri's relations with the United States.

The convention of 99 delegates was one of America's big political ironies; it was called by the South and turned out to be pro-Union. It rejected the secession proposals at a St. Louis meeting, March, 1861; then it started to run the state.

LAW UNTO ITSELF

"The creature of a Legislature, its legal powers uncertain, and its decision of doubtful force unless ratified by popular vote, it became itself a Legislature, a government without restriction of power," Shoemaker says.

At a Jefferson City meeting on July 30, 1861, the convention declared the offices of Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Secretary of State vacant. The next day it elected Hamilton R. Gamble of St. Louis as Governor. A native of Virginia and moderate Union man, Gamble held office until his death, January 31, 1864.

The convention also arranged for the election of a new Legislature in November, 1862. Mean-

while, Gov. Jackson and the Southern members of the old Legislature were meeting at Neosho, so Missouri had two Governors, two Legislatures, and the all-powerful convention during the long months when the crisis was fought out at the bloody battles of Wilson's Creek, Lexington, Pea Ridge and Westport Landing.

The official state manual puts the whole story in two lines in its state historical data, the list of Governors. It reads: "Claiborne F. Jackson, Saline County; elected August, 1860; died in Arkansas, December 6, 1862. . . Hamilton R. Gamble, St. Louis; appointed, 1861; died, January 31, 1864."

But it was way and ahead Missouri's worst political crisis. —Globe-Democrat.

Southeast Missouri

By M. G. Gresham

Southeast Missouri, strictly speaking, the southeast one-fourth of the State, some thirty counties, but today, to speak of Southeast Missouri, the people have come to think only of the alluvial counties of the southeast part of the State, where, before drainage, it took two frogs to live out one season, where it was thought in some of the more advanced sections that the children were born with gum boots on.

Since drainage, when Southeast Missouri is spoken of, we think of the Little River District and of A. J. Matthews; the Himmelberger's; the Oliver's; the Anderson's; S. P. Reynolds and Albert Painton, the present Board of Supervisors and its engineers and Secretary-Treasurer. A. J. Matthews, the Himmelberger's and the Oliver's have been connected with the District since its organization. John Himmelberger was continuously connected with the District from its organization until his death.

At the last meeting of the land owners of the district, which met at Wardell, Missouri, A. J. Matthews, the tall scyamore of the Southeast, was unanimously elected once more for a five-year term, as he had been elected on other like occasions beginning with the organization of the District. At this same meeting, Harry Himmelberger was elected for the unexpired term of Mark Martin of St. Louis. Mr. Himmelberger is held in high esteem in the District, since in order to insure the reorganizing of the District and the saving nearly three-fourths to the taxpayers of the District, he pledged his private fortune in the sum of one million dollars.

A meeting of the land owners of the Little River Drainage District is held at some convenient place in the District each year for the purpose of electing a member of the Board of Supervisors for a term of five years; to render an account of their stewardship for the past year and reports are submitted by the Secretary-Treasurer and the Chief Engineer. B. F. Burns, as Secretary-Treasurer and Earl Schultz, who have both served the District long and well, make a thorough report which has always been ordered by the landowners.

The Little River Drainage Dis-

trict was made possible when the Hon. Ben T. Walker, of Dexter, Missouri, State Senator from this Senatorial District, secured an appropriation to make a topographical survey of the Little River Basin, which survey showed its drainage practical and feasible.

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Southern Cooking



LACED-EDGED CORN CAKES

On many of the fine old plantations of the Southland fried ham is a more or less standard breakfast dish. Served with piping hot corn cakes, it's a dish which will stir even the most jaded of appetites.

SOUTHERN LACE-EDGED CORN CAKES

2 eggs
2 cups sweet milk
1 cup corn meal
1 scant teaspoon salt
3 tablespoons melted margarine

Beat the eggs well; add the milk and beat with a rotary egg beater; add the corn meal in which has been sifted the salt; lastly add the melted margarine. Stir well each time you bake a cake, and be sure to bake each cake on a well-greased, hot griddle, using a spoonful of batter to a small cake. Serve with broiled or fried ham and gravy. These corn cakes are also delicious with a vegetable dinner. Yields about 40 cakes.

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Expect Demand For Workers

Jefferson City—A demand for workers of various types is expected by the Missouri State Employment Service. Will S. Denham, director, said today.

Among the kinds of workers probably will be needed are drag-line and shovel operators, powdermen, wagon drill operators, Le-Tourneau operators, truck drivers, shovel oilers, air-compressor operators, Jackhammer operators, nippers, and mechanics, heavy.

"Workers who are qualified for these occupations and who would be willing to leave their home towns, if necessary, to take such jobs, should register immediately at their nearest local office of the Missouri State Employment Service," Denham said.

"There is absolutely no need, however, of leaving their home towns to hunt for jobs," he cautioned. "Under the clearance system used by the various state employment services, job-seekers who register in their home town office will be considered for job to be filled by any Employment Service office in their state or in another state."

War Struggle For Resources

Washington, D. C. — Europe's war in a struggle for resources as much as it is a fight for ideologies, according to Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes.

"Overseas we witness a war that is no more a war of ideologies than it is a war for resources," said the cabinet member in a statement to Frederic C. Walcott, President of the American Wildlife Institute. "Dictators demand 'lebensraum', but 'lebensraum' is just a word meaning resources belonging to others," Ickes said in endorsing a plan proposed by Walcott for the creation of a National Advisory Board for Conservation.

Walcott, former Chairman of the Senate Committee on Conservation suggested that the proposed board be appointed by the President to act in closest cooperation with defense authorities in arranging to meet the demand for natural resources during the present emergency without imperiling the future supply. The Maryland State Game and Fish Protective Association, oldest organization of its kind, the Outdoor Writers' Association of America and several other similar groups have petitioned the President to put the Walcott plan into immediate effect.

"Your recognition of the danger and concrete suggestion in the public interest give me great encouragement," Ickes told Walcott. "The action of the Maryland State Game and Fish Protective Association and the Outdoor Writers' Association of America in connection with the American Wildlife Institute represents such frightened recognition of a national danger that I wish to commend these organizations for their initiative in the public interest."

Ickes stated that the country had not yet recovered from the damage inflicted upon natural resources by the last war and admitted that the nation is again faced with an emergency parallel to that of 23 years ago. "Besieged democracies recognize that their very existence depends on resources and turn to our na-

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tion for aid," Ickes said. "They do not turn in vain, for we have the resources. We have husbanded them with increasing care of recent years so that we would be prepared. In this hour of need we have them—to be used prudently and not wastefully."

The Secretary of the Interior expressed the opinion that "With greed and ignorance we can now loot our storehouse of resources and leave our true national wealth and natural strength exposed wreckage—with wisdom and foresight, our resources can amply meet our requirements of today and remain to bulwark the economy, happiness and democracy we hope to hand on to our children."

RARE ALBINO SKUNK CAUGHT BY HUNTERS

Springfield, Mo., January 19.—An Albino skunk weighing nine pounds was captured in the James River bottom recently southeast of Boaz by two hunters, Austin Roberts and Sherman Rutledge while they were hunting coons. The animal, which is very rare, was bayed in an open field by one of Roberts' dogs, and Rutledge grabbed it by the tail.

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"Meet the Missus"

A Higgins Family Picture.

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Comedy.

Admission 10c and 28c

SATURDAY, JAN. 25—

"Carolina Moon"

With Gene Autrey.

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Matinee and Evening

Box office open 2 to 9 p. m.

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SUNDAY AND MONDAY, JAN. 26-27—

"The Westener"

With Gary Cooper, Walter Brennan, Fred Stone and Doris Davenport.

NEWS and SHORTS

Matinee and Evening

Box office open 2 to 9 p. m.

Admission 10c and 28c

Death Takes Local Women

Mrs. Catherine Marrell, 78, died Friday at 8 a. m. at her home on Frisco street. She had suffered a fall about a year ago and never fully recovered.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Saturday from the residence with the Rev. Allie Sullivan officiating. Burial was in Dogwood cemetery with Ellise service.

Mrs. Marrell, who had lived in Skeston approximately 15 years, made her home with a grandson, John Harr.

Surviving are two sons, Albert and Edward Harr, Canolou; and two daughters, Mrs. Fannie Briz-zell, Canolou and Mrs. Maggie Harr, Skeston.

To Fort Worth For Purchases

Mrs. O. M. Arthur, owner of the Vogue Shop, and her assistant, Miss Ruby Marshall, left Sunday for Fort Worth to purchase new Spring merchandise. They expect to go about a week.

TAKEN TO ST. LOUIS HOSPITAL

John Lewis Watkins of Vanduser, who sustained a fractured vertebrae, in an automobile accident in Kentucky last week was removed from the Skeston General hospital Thursday in an Albritton ambulance to the Deaconess hospital in St. Louis. Dr. Howard A. Dunaway also entered the St. Louis hospital for treatment of a neck injury sustained in the accident.

\$40,000.00 STOCK \$40,000.00 STOCK

GRAND WIND-UP LAIR'S Pre-Inventory Sale

STILL FURTHER REDUCTIONS

Use Your Common Sense

Our thanks to Southeast Missourians for a record volume in January to date. As might be expected a few lines have not moved as fast as others. To finish the job as planned still further sacrifices are now being offered. Profits for the time have been forgotten—The stock MUST be DOWN for inventory.

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Comedy and Short.

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—Matinee and Night—

Admissions 10c and 19c

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WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, JAN. 22-23—

"You'll Find Out"

With Kay Kyser.

News and Comedy.

All Matinees except Saturday and Sunday 10c and 20c

Saturday, Matinee and Night 10c and 30c

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Statesman, patriot and inventor, Benjamin Franklin is justly famous for his belief in Thrift. Americans are well familiar with his humble philosophy—"A Penny Saved Is a Penny Earned"—and his wisdom has become a part of American character. This week has been set aside at Thrift Week—January 17th to 24th. Sikeston business firms are pledged not only to honor a great man, but to make it possible for everyone to enjoy the advantages of Economy! Despite the fact that Sikeston stores are already known for their low prices on quality merchandise, shoppers will make even greater savings during this week! Merely check the ads on this page and you'll agree!



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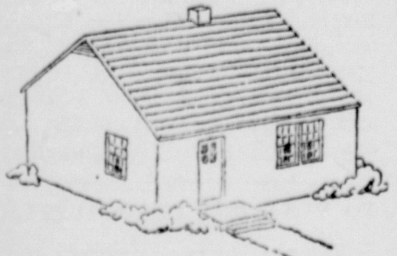
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Better Homes Living

Additions to the house are usually coincidental with additions to the family.

An extra room for the growing child saves the rest of the house, as well as the mother, from a lot of wear and tear. During winter days particularly, when the children spend long noisy hours indoors, many parents wish they had another room in the house.

Considerable expense will be saved if a new home is originally planned for the addition of another room, which will not only change the living habits of a family but will also have a direct influence on the future of the children.



The illustrations show a one bedroom house planned for the addition of a second bedroom.

In its simplest form the one-bedroom house makes use of one room for living, dining, and cooking. On the addition of the second bedroom the hall closet becomes a connecting hall for the new room. The expanded plan also suggests variations obtained through enlargement of the living room, separation of the kitchen from the living room, and addition of a porch. The kitchen is large enough for dining.

INSULATION WILL SAVE MUCH ON THE FUEL BILL

Home owners often overlook some things about insulation. They may insulate their houses to reduce their winter bills without realizing that they also get another benefit—greater comfort in the summer time.

Insulating materials of the proper kind prevent the passage of heat through the walls, roof, ceilings and other parts of the home. They prevent it from passing out of warm rooms in the winter and from entering cool rooms in the summer, when the mercury crawls to the top of the glass tube. So insulation is a hot-weather proposition, too.

Secondly many owners think that a home can be insulated only when it is first built. They do not realize that a simple job will lay a cooling blanket over rooms that tend to get warm in summer.

The whole roof is exposed to the sun; so the attic becomes as hot as an oven and this heats up the living quarters below.

One way to improve this condition is to finish the attic, if it is



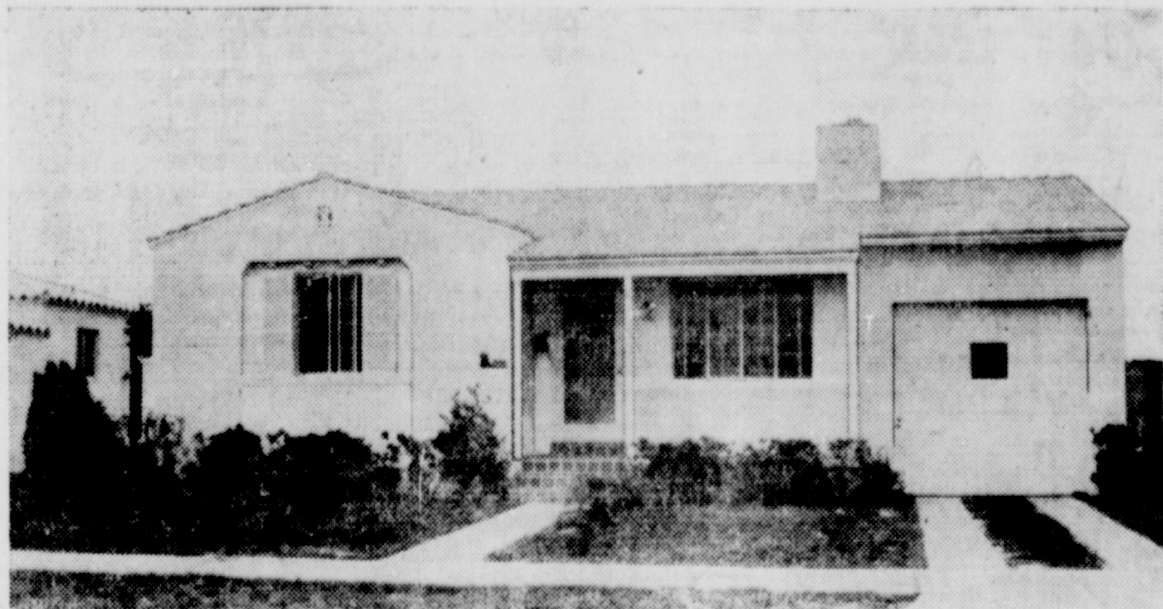
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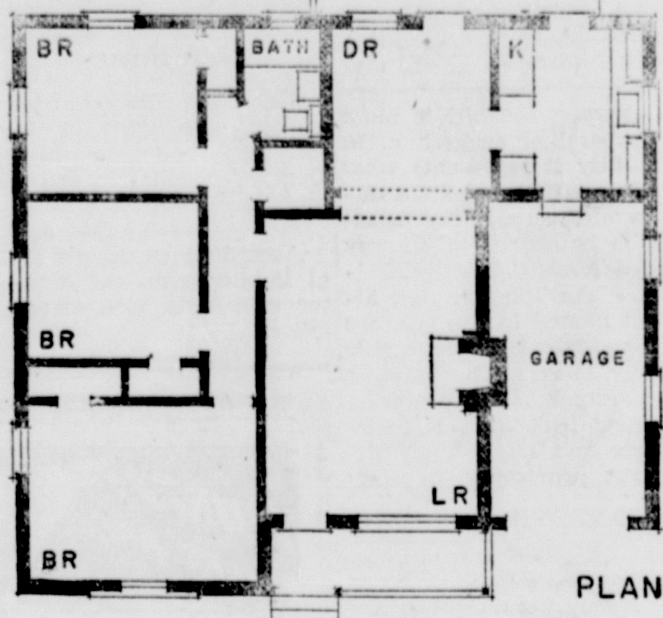


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large and roomy, into a number of rooms. If this is done, an insulating quilt of fiber-substance can be nailed to the rafters before lath and plaster are put on.

Or an insulating rock lath as a base for plaster may be used in place of wood as a false base for plaster, or an insulating mineral wallboard can be used to provide walls and ceilings for the attic rooms.

These means of insulating comfort in the rooms below are all right if the owner wishes to make new rooms in the attic. But how can the home be insulated when this rather extensive improvement is not desired?

It can be done by putting the insulating material directly on the upper side of the lath and plaster which form the lower-story ceiling. In houses with unfinished attics the lath and plaster are exposed through the ceiling rafters. The work of installing the insulation is so simple that it can be done by the householder himself in a short time.

There are several types of insulators that may be used in this way. One should be chosen which is so light that it will not make the lath and plaster sag, which is dry so it will not stain the plaster, which is fire-resistant and has high insulation value. Such a material is granulated cork, but while it is of excellent insulation value, it is the most costly of insulators.

Another is a powdered gypsum

filler intended especially for thermal insulation. This is cheap.

HOME OWNERSHIP

The importance of home ownership as an incentive to good citizenship, as well as a sound investment medium for savings, is being increasingly recognized and accepted.

Home ownership has social implications more fundamental than mere stimulation of industrial or financial activity.

The thought that a nation of home owners is free and democratic bears repeating, particularly in these times.

Extension of home ownership today by private enterprise, with aid and encouragement from the Government, is a worthy cause and a notable contribution to the stability of the Nation.

Possession of its own home affords a family comfort and convenience, pride and pleasure, self-confidence, stability, and happiness.

Growing interest during recent years in the importance of small home construction for moderate-income families is not altogether new. Yet, Government encouragement and initiative, as exemplified by the Federal Housing Administration, and the trends of the times are responsible for bringing this interest down to earth and making home ownership practical and profitable.

Home ownership is not new, of

course. But there is something new about home ownership today. The way of paying for a home today is new. Neighborhood selection and land planning for low-cost homes are new. New methods for constructing small homes are being developed.

Essentially, financing is the major problem of families in lower-income brackets who contemplate building homes. Under today's method of financing a small down payment and one long-term mortgage loan may finance the cost of a home. Under the FHA plan the down payment is as small as ten per cent. Monthly payments not only suit the individual family's income, but they are fitted to the family's budget, exactly like rent.

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Sikeston Standard, \$2 per year.

LOCATION VITAL IN FURNACE INSTALLATION

American householders are wasting millions of tons of coal annually and causing themselves unnecessary expense because of the simple fact that poor judgment was exercised in locating warm air furnaces. This statement is based on the results of an investigation to determine the causes of heating complaints among owners of furnace heated homes.

Location of the furnace is of vital importance to satisfactory home heating. The furnace must be so located that heat can be delivered to all rooms with equal efficiency, and this calls for the installation of the central heating plant so that the warm air pipes will be as nearly equal in length as is possible.

Otherwise extra fuel is required to force warmth to less favored rooms, especially in zero weather, due to the fact that the flow of heat is handicapped by the greater resistance offered by unduly long warm air pipes.

The furnace should be centrally located, yet as near to the chimney flue as possible. A central location makes possible the installation of warm air pipes more or less uniform as to length. A short smoke pipe to the chimney flue is desirable because unnecessary hindrance to draft is eliminated, and the draft will be more effective.

In event a basement is partitioned off into several rooms, locating the furnace under the living room is recommended, thus insuring warmth in the floors of the room where the family spends most of its time.

Proper location of the furnace insures heating the home with a minimum expenditure for fuel and will eliminate one of the principal causes for heating failure.

FLOOR INSULATION

In houses without basements it is sometimes a problem to protect the floors against infiltration of cold. One solution is to lay insulating boards, the same kind that are used on walls, under the flooring. It is also possible to use insulating blankets, etc., under or between joists. This eliminates difficulty sometimes encountered in nailing through the insulating boards to the joists.

Hot Water Is Enemy of Germs

Hot water has been labeled the greatest enemy of germs.

During the Winter, when colds are epidemic, an abundant supply of hot water protects family health.

The availability of hot water makes possible the sterilization of dishes and careful cleansing of hands before eating and increases the frequency of baths and showers.

Steam or hot-water heating plants may be equipped with indirect water heaters with funds obtained from private lending institutions approved by the Federal Housing Administration under its Modernization Credit Plan.

PHOTOGRAPHS SAFEGUARD HOME BUYERS

Tile insurance men look with envy at the unique but highly effective way the Turkish nation has of minimizing forgeries in real estate transactions.

Over in Turkey the photograph of every real estate owner is kept on file in the registry office. If he has an attorney-in-fact that gentleman's name and photograph is also kept on file.

When a real estate deal is to be consummated, all parties to the transaction must appear at the registry office either personally or through their attorneys-in-fact. Comparisons are then made between the photographs on file and the individuals presenting themselves.

If a likeness of the buy is not on record, he must furnish the registrar with a photograph, which is kept on file until he sells the property. It is then attached to the deed.

VARIOUS PATTERNS OF LINOLEUM FOR WALLS

The newest thing in wall decoration is the use of linoleum wall coverings in various tones and patterns. Skillful artists have originated some beautiful murals in attractive compositions in this medium. The inlay type of linoleum is used for this work.

U. S. LEADS HOME OWNING WORLD

The United States leads the world in home ownership, according to a recent report of the census bureau and Wisconsin leads the United States.

More than 14,000,000 families in this country now own the homes in which they live, according to the report. Ten years ago, home-owning families in this nation numbered about 11,000,000, while in 1910 the total was 9,000,000.

This shows an increase of 56 per cent during one generation. At the present time nearly half the total number of families in the country own their own homes.

HANDY WATERING CAN

A discarded ginger ale bottle quart size, makes a good watering can. Where there are a number of plants to receive daily attention, two or three of these bottles, set out of sight behind the plants, offer a practical solution to this problem.

After plants have been watered, these bottles should be refilled in readiness for the next watering. This allows time for the water to attain the temperature of the room in which the plants are growing.

It has been estimated that there are more than 10,000 species of the daisy.



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| <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen Sink and Cabinets | <input type="checkbox"/> Hardwood Floors | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Venetian Blinds | <input type="checkbox"/> Decorations, Exterior, Interior | |

Without any obligation on your part, kindly check the items interested in, sign your name in the blank space below and mail same to us, or call 284 and we will be glad to make an estimate of cost covering any improvements you wish, as well as explain in detail the F. H. A. arrangement. Take advantage of the F. H. A. plan and enjoy the conveniences as you pay.

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Excavate for Light Plant Addition

Ten men are employed in excavation work at the municipal light plant in preparation for construction of an addition to house a new 1,400 horsepower diesel generating unit.

The installation is necessitated by increasing demand for current. Superintendent Charles Moose said Monday.

Approximately 60 days will be required for construction of the 48-foot extension on the north end of the building. It will be built of brick and harmonize with the rest of the structure.

A basement will be installed to give space for auxiliary equipment and the addition will provide space for still another unit should demand for current make the installation necessary.

Carl Yates Death Victim

Carl Yates, 65-year-old farmer who lived near Skeston in New Madrid county, died Friday at 11:30 p. m. from pneumonia. He had lived in this section 10 years.

He was born Dec. 3, 1875 at Philadelphia, Miss.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday with burial in the Dogwood cemetery with Albritton service.

Survivors include a brother, Tom Yates, Lepanto, Ark., and a nephew, Emmett Yates of near Skeston.

REMOVED TO HOME

Mrs. Jess Andres was removed from the Skeston General Hospital to her home at 610 Dorothy street Sunday in the Albritton ambulance.

CONDITION UNIMPROVED

Norval Anderson, who is ill at the home of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Tillman Anderson in Cape Girardeau, is unimproved. His condition is considered critical. Mr. Anderson has been ill since August, when he suffered an attack of colitis and complications have caused the relapse. According to a late report, he has been unconscious for 25 hours.

PUT OUT ROOF FIRE

Firemen extinguished a roof fire at the Red and White Store, operated by Jeff Sutton, on Scott street at 2:50 p. m. Monday. It was necessary to cut a hole in the roof to bring the blaze under control.

Skeston General Hospital

Audy Watts of Essex was dismissed Sunday after undergoing an operation.

Mrs. Jess Andres was discharged Sunday after undergoing an operation.

Mrs. Glenn Middleton and baby daughter of near Charleston were dismissed Sunday.

FINED \$8

David Miller of Cape Girardeau county was fined \$8 when he appeared before Police Judge Brown Jewell Monday to answer a charge of drunkenness. He was arrested by Officer Grover Lewis Saturday.

Clipper Rushes Sera to Greece

Washington, D. C.—Imperative need for anti-tetanus and anti-gas gangrene sera for Greek wounded has prompted the American Red Cross to make an initial shipment of 50 pounds on the Pan-American clipper plane from New York for Lisbon.

The remainder of a large consignment costing \$25,000 will be loaded on the American Export liner "Excalibur" on January 18 for Lisbon. The "Excalibur" will carry an additional 450 pounds of sera. The sera will be delivered to the Greek Council in Lisbon, who has been requested to transship by airplane, if possible.

Circulation Man Succumbs

E. G. Colburn, 73, a traveling circulation representative of the Kansas City Star, succumbed to a heart seizure at his room in the Buchanan Tourist Home, South Kingshighway, Sunday at 7:10 a. m. He had been in this section in connection with his business several months.

The body was brought to the Welsh funeral home and will be taken to Shelbyville, where funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 p. m.

The widow and children survive.

DAUGHTER TO JENNINGS

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Jennings Friday. The baby, weighing seven and three-fourths pounds has been named Patricia Ann.

SUPPLIES FLOWN HERE

An air corps transport plane from the air depot at Dayton, Ohio came here Saturday with a load of supplies for the Air Corps Training Detachment.

CLASS MEETS TUESDAY

The Modern Martha Class of the Christian Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Sizemore, 307 Gulf Street, this Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

SON TO SPICKELMEIRS

Announcement has been made here of the birth of a son, James Leonard, to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Spickelmeir of Bonne Terre at the Bonne Terre Hospital January 14. This is the second child and son in the family. Mrs. Spickelmeir will be remembered here as the former Miss Glenda Stacy.

JUNIOR CHURCH CLASS ELECTS

The Junior High School Boys' class of the Christian Church have elected the following officers:

President, Charles McCampbell; vice president, Roger Bailey, Jr.; secretary and treasurer, Bobby Webber; reporter, Cleo La Course. The members have organized a basketball team and will play other teams composed of boys their ages.

TAKEN TO MOREHOUSE HOME

Audy Watts was taken from the Skeston General Hospital to his home at Morehouse Sunday in the Albritton ambulance.

A man 130 years old, in Baroda state, India, is said to be the oldest inhabitant of the British Empire.

Benton Woman Named President Of Democrats

The Scott County Women's Democratic Club elected the following officers at a meeting in the court house at Benton Saturday afternoon:

President, Mrs. O. F. Spencer of Benton; vice presidents, Mrs. G. W. Presnell, Mrs. Mary Bisplinghoff, Mrs. Claude Wood, Mrs. Gladys Cummings, Mrs. W. A. English, Mrs. J. F. Nunnelee, Mrs. Albion Anderson, Mrs. John Michael; secretary, Mrs. Alvin Klagges; treasurer, Miss Mildred Foster; historian, Mrs. Ed Kendall; auditor, Mrs. Otis Bryans; parliamentarian, Mrs. C. L. Blanton, Sr.

The retiring president, Mrs. Della Poe of Oran was presented with a gift by the club.

Those from Skeston who attended the meeting were Mrs. G. W. Presnell, Mrs. Elmos Taylor, Mrs. Lynn Ancell, Mrs. Ed Kendall and Miss Audrey Chaney.

PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Sikes, daughter, Sue, and Mrs. Sikes' mother, Mrs. W. W. Kingsbury, spent Sunday in Caruthersville as guests of the latter's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jere Kingsbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Conley and Mrs. Hester Carraway spent Saturday night and Sunday in Decatur, Ill., with the latter's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Higgins.

Mrs. William Northington will entertain at a bridge luncheon in her home Thursday.

Miss Ruth McCoy, Mrs. Jack Lancaster, Miss Magdalen Moser, Miss Dorothea Miller and Miss Margaret Clymer spent Saturday night and Sunday in Memphis, Tenn., and attended a performance of Katherine Hepburn in "Philadelphia Story".

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Pilaut of Cape Girardeau attended the funeral of Mrs. Finis Jones Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Baker Jr. and G. B. Greer III returned Saturday from Columbia and St. Louis, where they had spent several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Fremont Goetz and daughter returned Thursday night from Springfield, Ill., where they were called by the illness of Mrs. Goetz' mother. They were accompanied to Skeston by Mrs. Goetz' sister, Mrs. William Miller who returned to Springfield Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moody returned last week after visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Feezor in El Paso, Texas, for several weeks. En route home, they accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Feezor to San Antonio, Tex., where Mr. Feezor attended a business meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Jones and Mrs. T. L. Chidester spent Saturday in Memphis, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mattingly were in Cairo, Ill. Sunday for a visit with J. O. Knupp, who is a patient in St. Mary's Infirmary. Mr. Knupp is much improved and hopes to be able to go to Mounds, Ill., this week end for convalescence.

Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Malcolm and two children spent Sunday in Gideon as guests of Mrs. Malcolm's parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Sharp. Mrs. T. C. McClure and Mrs.



To Serve With Salads

The greater the respect for fresh foods, the higher up in the menu they come. The salad course, at one time, followed the meat course. Then it became customary to serve the salad with the main part of the dinner. Now it is usually served before the meat course, playing the role of either appetizer or cocktail.

If it serves more or less as an appetizer, crisp crackers, thin, small pieces of toast are served with it. Salad accompaniments may be very interesting and unusual, or they may be very dull. An extra few minutes spent in putting on the finishing touches will enable you to serve a salad with finesse.

The deliciousness of a salad depends, in part, upon its crispness, accomplished by thorough chilling and freshness of ingredients. Immediate serving insures the retention of this crispness, and the salad accompaniment should be as hot as the salad is cold. Leave the salad in the refrigerator until the very last minute, while you pop toast, crackers, or pastry strips into the oven or broiler of your electric range for the required length of time. Ovens and broilers in the new electric ranges preheat quickly. Just set the electric thermostat as desired, and the oven will reach the temperature specified while you're trimming toast or buttering wafers. Serve the salad immediately upon removal from the refrigerator, while it is refreshingly cool and crisp, and the accompaniment is deliciously hot.

Here's a recipe for a simple and unusual accompaniment for soups and salads. These buttery, crispy crackers are surprisingly different and good.

PUFFED CRACKERS
(Serves 5-6)
12 soda crackers
1 1/2 cups water
1/4 cup butter (melted)
Soak the crackers in cold water for 10 or 15 minutes, in a shallow pan. Lift carefully from the water, using a pancake turner that has holes in it, to allow the water to drain off. Place on a cookie sheet, allowing plenty of space between crackers. Put a teaspoon of melted butter on each cracker and bake in a moderately hot oven with the electric thermostat set at 400° for 30 minutes.

Cut crusts from bread for sandwiches with a pair of scissors; it takes less time than using a knife, and makes a neater looking edge.

Cut unsliced loaf of bread in thick slices, to within 1/2-inch of the bottom. Spread softened butter between slices. Bake in a moderately hot oven with the electric thermostat set at 400°, for about 10 minutes. Serve hot with salad course.

Season cottage cheese with salt and a bit of cayenne pepper. Add finely cut chives or green onion tops. Serve with tomato aspic salad.

To cut grapefruit or orange into skinless sections, peel like an apple, beginning at the blossom end and using a sharp knife. Remove the white membrane as the fruit is peeled. Then cut down on each side of the partitions, and remove the section of fruit whole.

Washington Comment

Germany and Italy were not represented in the group that assembled in the diplomatic gallery to hear the President's address on the state of the Union. They did well to let their chairs stand vacant. What the occupants would have heard would have done them no good. The President's remarks contained little comfort for the axis powers. Diplomats are supposed to be able to listen to anything, and do so in silence, unless conditions demand that they speak. Relying on a mixed metaphor in the interest of a little levity, the address on the state of the Union contained a good many pills that would have been hard for Nazi and Fascist ears to swallow.

Carefully prepared speeches often embody statements capable of being taken two ways. No judicial construction is needed for such words as: "We shall send you (England), in ever increasing numbers, ships, planes, tanks and guns." More general, but quite as positive, were references to a "new order of tyranny," and to a peace "indicated by aggressors and sponsored by appeasers." The disaffected at home were admonished to take warning: "The best way of dealing with the few slackers or trouble makers in our midst is, first, to shame them by patriotic example, and if that fails, to use the sovereignty of government to save government." Upon the whole the President's address had teeth enough in it to satisfy almost anyone.

Although aid for the warring non-axis powers was definitely promised, the President's hearers were given clearly to understand that whatever might be done along that line must be secondary to national defense, and that plans to help abroad must interfit with plans for security at home. The impression which one is entitled to carry away from the address on the state of the Union is: that perpetuating Democracy is every man's business; that the United States cannot handle the task alone, if all other Democracies are destroyed; that while the restoration of good international order must be a joint affair, the United States should be a tub capable of standing on its own bottom; and finally that the citizenry of the land should not expect to be carried to the skies of domestic security and peace on flowery beds of ease.

The tentative response of Congress was prompt and to the point. It took the form of a bill giving the President blanket authority to furnish ships, planes and arms to any country whose defense he deems vital to the defense of the United States, no country being designated by name. The nature of the transfer, it seems, may range anywhere between a loan and an outright sale. The provisions for payment are equally elastic, so far as the medium of exchange is concerned. The account may be balanced by the turning over of any kind of property or any other direct or indirect benefit which the President deems satisfactory. The authority which it is proposed to vest in the Chief Executive seems to be plenary. Backed an enthusiastic and ample major-

Thos. B. Allen will be hostesses at a shower for Mrs. C. W. Limbaugh this Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. McClure on Park.

Mrs. M. V. Mumma and sons, Burl and Richard of Gideon were guests of the former's daughter, Mrs. Louie Largent Sunday.

The "Stores and Offices" help wanted ads in the Twice-a-Week Skeston Standard function daily for job hunters. If you're unemployed, make it a practice to use this column to find a position. Employment service for 2c a word.



1940 City Tax Collections Total \$46,260

City Collector Joe Mathis Monday reported 1940 tax collections totaling \$46,260.38, a figure he said was slightly below the 1939 total because of greater receipts from delinquent taxes that year.

He reported that collections had started off this year a little ahead of last.

Principal sources of tax revenue on 1940 collections were merchants tax, \$2,266.18; automobile license, \$4,582.75; merchants license, \$8,397.58; liquor license, \$980.02; real estate tax, \$14,735.14 and personal tax, \$5,244.68. Collections were made during the year on delinquent taxes with those for 1939 on real estate totaling \$3,855.20 and personal tax, \$1,002.96.

The deadline for paying 1940 city taxes without penalty expired last Saturday.

As a badge of his profession, down to the 16th century, every European physician wore a ring. Abraham Lincoln made only five autographed copies of his famous Gettysburg Address.

ity in Congress, the bill is more than a proposal or suggestion. In all probability it represents what the near future will make the statutory law of the land. The measure will be hampered in on way by its predecessors. The Neutrality Act and the Johnson Act, although not named in the bill, are given a sleeping potion which puts them gently to rest. The quieting draught is found in the provision that the new legislation is to be of full force and effect "notwithstanding the provisions of any other law."

The residents of Naples lately have been sprinkled with bombs. Future deliveries will be no more welcome simply because they are of American manufacture. Well stocked British larders and arsenals will anger Mr. Hitler. Upon the other hand, a conquered Europe and a harassed England will be pleased to hear that the United States now means business. Even the Ethiopians, reported to be in revolt, may take heart. Bane or blessing is in store for those already at war, depending upon which side is considered. The United States nominally clear of the conflict, has yet to learn what the far reaching results of the address on the state of the Union will be, so far as she is concerned personally.

Season cottage cheese with salt and a bit of cayenne pepper. Add finely cut chives or green onion tops. Serve with tomato aspic salad.

To cut grapefruit or orange into skinless sections, peel like an apple, beginning at the blossom end and using a sharp knife. Remove the white membrane as the fruit is peeled. Then cut down on each side of the partitions, and remove the section of fruit whole.

SALE

USED CARS

- 1940 Plymouth Deluxe Coach 16,000 miles\$595
- 1940 Mercury Sedan, heater white sidewall tires.....\$595
- 1940 Ford DeLuxe Tudor, heater.....\$595
- 1940 Ford Coupe, heater.....\$575
- 1939 Mercury Sedan, heater.....\$575
- 1939 Plymouth DeLuxe Coach, heater, radio.....\$475
- 1937 Ford Tudor Touring.....\$275
- 1937 Chevrolet Coupe.....\$295
- 1935 Chevrolet Coach.....\$145
- 1933 Chevrolet Coach, new tires overhauled motor.....\$95

- ### PICKUPS
- 1940 Chevrolet 3/4-Ton 5293 miles, like new.....\$595
 - 1939 Plymouth Pickup.....\$395
 - 1937 Plymouth Pickup, rebuilt motor.....\$295
 - 1937 Ford Stake Pickup.....\$295
 - 1937 Chevrolet Coupe Pickup, good condition.....\$295
 - 1936 Chevrolet Pickup.....\$165

- ### TRUCKS
- 1940 Ford 158" Stock Body 8:25 tires, 95 H. P. cost new \$1214.00.....\$795
 - 1939 Chevrolet 157" new tires \$550
 - 1937 Ford 157 Stake Truck good tires.....\$295
 - 1937 G. M. C. 157" Stake Truck.....\$295
 - 1937 Dodge 157" Platform Truck.....\$195

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Spurlin Baby Passes Away

Marion Spurlin, Jr., 22-day-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Spurlin, Sr., Morehouse, died at his home Sunday at 2 p. m.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p. m. at the Morehouse Church of God with the Rev. Ed Brack officiating. Burial was in Carpenter cemetery, McMullin, with Welsh service.

Besides the parents, a sister, Frankie Mae Spurlin; three brothers, Eldon Eugene, James and William Roy Spurlin and grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Barney Pennington survive.

TO ENTERTAIN AT LUNCHEON

Mrs. Ralph Anderson will entertain at luncheon Friday at 1 o'clock, honoring Mrs. J. L. Matthews, who will depart early in February of a trip to South America. Covers will be laid for Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. Leroy Leslie, Mrs. Rachel Hunter, Mrs. James Kevill, Mrs. J. W. Foley, Mrs. L. M. Stallcup and Mrs. Thos. B. Allen.

RETURNED HOME

Mrs. Glen Middleton was taken to her home north of Charleston last week end from the Skeston General hospital in the Albritton ambulance.

According to the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads the average motor vehicle in 1938 traveled 8870 miles.

Death Takes Mrs. Melba Cook

Mrs. Melba Rosalia Cook, 25, wife of Earl Cook, Skeston barber, died Sunday at 7:10 p. m. at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor of near Morley. She had been ill several months with tuberculosis.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 2 p. m. from the Richmond Methodist church at McMullin with the Rev. Len Council assisted by Rev. Ray P. Basler, officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park cemetery with Welsh service.

Mrs. Cook was born at Golconda, Ill., Oct. 29, 1915, and had lived in this section 14 years.

In addition to her parents and husband, she is survived by a daughter, Carmin, a brother, Ewart Taylor, Skeston; two sisters, Joyce and Barbara Ann Taylor; a grandfather, S. P. Belford and grandmother, Mary A. Taylor, and an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Taylor of Wappapello.

TO HOLD POT LUCK SUPPER

Members of the Gleaners of the Methodist Church will attend a pot luck supper at the home of Mrs. C. E. Felker Wednesday evening. Supper will be served at 6:30 o'clock, followed by a program of entertainment.

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